

### REMARKS

The purpose of this preliminary amendment is insert a priority claim into the application, insert sequence identifiers where appropriate into the specification, and to cancel claims drawn to subject matter which was prosecuted in the parent case.

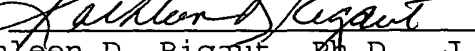
Please use the declaration from parent case 09/445,283, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

### SEQUENCE LISTING

The paper copy of the Sequence Listing in this application is identical to the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed in application 09/445,283, filed December 3, 1999. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e), please use the most recent computer readable form filed in that application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing is included herewith.

Favorable consideration leading to prompt allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

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Enclosures: Paper copy of sequence listing

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